



Newsletter #27 – January 2018

NEWS

- **Cocoa & Cram, Bridey Richards & Jackie Winter, Co-Chairs.** On Saturday morning January 13th, our PTSO sponsored pre-final exam study session was a HUGE SUCCESS! Thank you to all the teachers, staff, and administrators that volunteered their time to help the students. Thank you, also, to all the parents' donations of hot chocolate, marshmallows, candy canes, fruit, cream cheese, gift cards, and volunteer time. **Ultimately, thank you to all our volunteers including: the Alberts, Laura Anderle, Kim Borst, Minda Byrne, David Coyle, Don Cramer, Lyn Deiss, Bonnie DeLong, Jaime Domski, Chris Early, Kasey Ehrke, Brenda Eiers, Yael Gal, Carie George, Dan Gibbon, Ryan Hagan, Liz Haworth, Milissa Hills, Jeff Houck, Tami Hugo-Soto, Victoria Idstein, Dr. Greg Kabara, Julie Karnes, Bridget Kilberg, Molly Krychowiak, Amy Lee, Gina Lima, Jessica Lubar, Ann Markuson, Ethan Millard, Nicole Mueller, Anne O'Donoghue, Sarah Packman, Christine Pollesch, David Quam, Bridey Richards, Emily Schmidt, Traci Schwartz, Sharon Shapiro, Chris Sheff, Kristin Susedik, Maria Wallis, Beth Weseman, Charlotte Wichert, Kari Williams, Andi Winkle, Jackie Winter, Alison Worm, and Patti Zeimentz. I apologize if I unintentionally forgot anyone.** We are looking forward to sponsoring Cookies & Cram, *Janice Pfaffl & Jill Tobin Co-Chairs!*
- **Monthly Drawings – Congratulations to the following PTSO Nicolet Staff winners: Raul Hernandez and Stephanie Deering!** The Nicolet PTSO randomly chooses two staff members to receive a gift card as a token of our appreciation at each PTSO meeting. Nicolet Families can show support for our great Nicolet teachers/staff by purchasing gift cards or making a monetary donation to the PTSO. Thank you to all PTSO past, present, and future donors! *Please drop off or mail monetary or gift card donations in a sealed envelope marked "PTSO Staff Drawing" to the Nicolet High School Office at 6701 N. Jean Nicolet Road, Glendale, WI 53217.*

OPPORTUNITIES

- **Merit Awards, Jill Tobin and Nancy McLaughlin, Co-Chairs.** The PTSO recognizes positive citizenship within the Nicolet community. Students complete an application packet throughout the school year. The Merit Award Application packets are available in the high school office or can be downloaded here: <http://www.nicolet.us/students/merit.pdf>. **Completed Merit Award application packets are due on MONDAY, March 19, 2018 by 3:00pm!** Medals and plaques will be given out at the award ceremony at the end of the year. Four-year recipients are indicated in the commencement booklet at graduation. *We are looking for PTSO volunteers to help Jill and Nancy with the Merit Awards. If interested, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*
- **Grad Grams –Nina Capati, Chair.** Congratulatory messages are purchased and sent by anyone to a graduating senior and/or retiring staff member. These messages are bound together into a keepsake memory booklet given out at graduation rehearsal. Nina is working to get Grad Grams out much earlier but it will take a little time. We need help assembling the Grad Gram booklets. *If interested in helping, email Nina Capati and let her know you are available to help at nvcapati@hotmail.com.*



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- **Spirit Award, Marilyn Franklin, Chair.** The Nicolet Staff nominates students that show positive spirit. We have given out 1 -5 awards every year. The spirit award winners get their name up in the Commons. *If interested in helping, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*
- **Senior Breakfast – Julie Karnes & Jill Tobin, Co-Chairs.** This celebratory catered breakfast is a great send off for Nicolet’s Senior Class at the end of the year. *If interested, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*

FUNDRAISING

- **The PTSO Dining Knight Out fundraiser was a great success.** Thank you to all that came out to dine at California Pizza Kitchen and support the PTSO on November 7th, 2017. We will be receiving a check for \$146.29 for this fundraiser.
- **The PTSO CityTin fundraiser was also very successful raising \$440.** Thank you to all that purchased CityTins during our November/December holiday sale!
- **Keep your eyes open for upcoming information about our annual Grad Grams fundraiser.** You will be able to purchase Grad Gram congratulatory messages for graduating seniors/retiring teachers soon!
- **Thank you to all the Nicolet families and Staff that already paid their PTSO membership dues.** The PTSO benefits parents, teachers, and students by raising funds via membership dues (still only \$15), Grad Gram sales, and other fundraisers. The PTSO sponsors events including Homecoming Activities, Student Dances, Cocoa/Cookies & Cram Study Sessions, Merit Awards, Spirit Award, Teacher Appreciation, School Gifts, Senior Breakfast, and more. Join us at meetings, volunteer, and if you haven’t yet, please pay your dues http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/ptso_membership_form.pdf.

INFORMATION

- Thank you to all that came to the last Nicolet PTSO meeting. **Join us at the next PTSO meeting on February 15th, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Room B113** (staff lounge in the back of the cafeteria). Please mark your calendar for the all meetings scheduled for most Thursday evenings at 6:00pm including February 15, March 15, April 19, and May 17 will be at 4:00pm following the Merit Award Ceremony.
- **Facebook** – Nicolet parents, teachers/staff, and students please “like” the Nicolet PTSO Facebook page and stay informed: <https://www.facebook.com/NicoletPTSO>.
- **Webpage** – Check out the PTSO’s webpage for information including past and current meeting minutes, newsletters, fundraising, and volunteer opportunities at <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>.